KENNY ALLEN, goalkeeper, is one of the biggest players in the Football League, standing 6ft 5in. tall and weighing 14 stone. He made his League debut as a 17-year-old amateur with Hartlepool in 1969-70, totalled seven appearances with the club, then waited nine seasons until his next spell of league action — with AFC Bournemouth. He joined them from Bath City and was an ever-present in the Fourth Division side in 1978-79.

IAN CUNNINGHAM, right-back, is a Glaswegian who was found and developed by Bournemouth, joining the club from school in 1972. He was captain of the youth side and gained a number of Scotland youth international caps; made his League debut in December 1974 but it is during the last three seasons that he has established himself as a regular choice at right-back.

JON MOORE, left-back, is also a former international — at schoolboy level, for Wales. On leaving school in Cardiff he joined Bristol Rovers as an apprentice. A £20,000 fee took him to Millwall six years ago and he made over 100 League appearances for the London club before signing for Bournemouth in June last year. Currently on the transfer list.
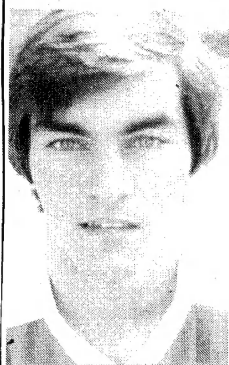
JOHN IMPEY, central defender, took over the captaincy of Bournemouth this season, and has been an automatic choice since 1976-77 season. He won England schoolboy and youth international honours, and made his League debut wih his first club Cardiff City in December 1972. In the summer of 1979 he had a spell with the Seattle Sounders in the North American Soccer League.

DAVID WEBB, central defender, was appointed the club's player-coach just before the start of the season; already he had well over 500 League games to his credit in a remarkable career. It started with Orient in 1964-65, then took him to Southampton, Chelsea, Queen's Park Rangers, Leicester City and Derby County. He has played nine games for Bournemouth but is now concentrating more on his coaching duties.

NIGEL SPACKMAN, midfield, is a 19-year-old having his first taste of senior soccer this season after signing as a full-time professional this summer, on completing his college course. He impressed last season while playing for the reserves; has captained Hampshire youth team, and played with Southern League sides Basingstoke and Andover.
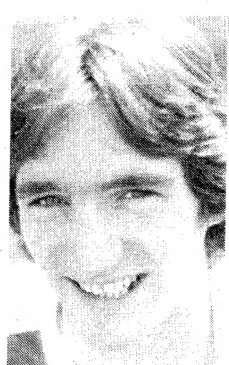

MARTIN McGRATH, midfield, has played for England Schoolboys — and scored a goal at Wembley. He joined Southampton as an apprentice, graduating to a regular place in their reserve side in the Football Combination. But when he joined Bournemouh this season his League experience was just four minutes — as substitute

TOM HEFFERNAN, midfielder who can also play in defence, did not find it easy to hold down a regular place in the side last season, his first after signing from Tottenham, where he captained the side which won the Football Combination championship. Now the former Dun Laogharie Celtic amateur is a regular in the

JOHN EVANSON, midfield, was once a £60,000 player — when he left Oxford United to sign for Blackpool in 1974. It was in 1976 that he moved on again, to sign for Alex Stock at Fulham. He was again signed by Stock in the summer of 1979, Bournemouth paying £20,000 for a player who has now made well over 300

PHIL FERNS, who had 43 league and cup games for AFC last season — most of them at left-back — has recently been switched to a midfield role. The 19-year-old has attracted the attention of bigger clubs, including Manchester United. He was signed from Bournemouth's near neighbours Poole Town, the

TREVOR MORGAN, striker, was scoring regularly for Leytonstone and Ilford in the Isthmian League before Bournemouth spotted him — and paid a £3,000 fee to bring him into full-time football. A six-footer, Morgan has given the Bournemouth attack greater power in the air. Made his League debut at

STEVE MASSEY, striker, is having his best season as a goalgetter and he took his total to 10 when he scored in the 3-0 win against Wigan on November 1. It was in February 1975 that he made his League debut, as a 16-year-old apprentice with Stockport County, later establishing a place in the side before